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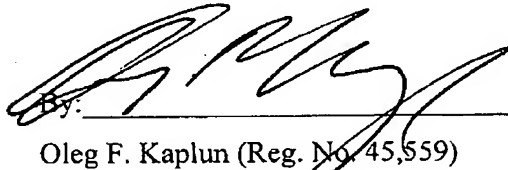
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**TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith please find an Amendment in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 18, 2008 for filing with the USPTO in the above-identified application. No fees are believed to be required. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional required fees to the Deposit Account of **Fay Kaplun & Marcin, LLP No. 50-1492**.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on September 18, 2008, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks: